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BY SAMANTHA NELSON, FOR REDEYE | REDEYE@TRIBUNE.COM » GET MORE EAT. DRINK. DO. IDEAS AT REDEYECHICAGO.COM

EAT

BUILDING A BETTER BURGER

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DRINK

TASTE THE DIFFERENCE

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FREE

BATTLE OF THE BLENDS

Pizza Rustica

3908 N. Sheridan Road 773-404-8955

Help the Lakeview restaurant choose a new wine for its menu at Beverage Battles, which puts a pair of blends (meritage and bordeaux) to the taste test. One lucky voter will win a bottle of the wine he or she chose to enjoy during a subsequent visit. 6-8 p.m.

DO

THE BEST MEDICINE

Greenhouse Theater Center

2257 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-404-7336

Catch a preview performance of "Side Effects May Include ... ," a one-man show from former "Seinfeld" writer Marc Jaffe based on his personal experiences after his wife was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease. Madkap Productions will donate 10 percent of the proceeds to Shaking with Laughter, Jaffe's charity for Parkinson's research. $25. 8 p.m.

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$2.6 trillion

Amount that the U.S. spends annually on health care.

2/3

Two-thirds of Americans are considered overweight or obese.

32.7

The U.S. has a higher infant mortality rate than the other countries, with 32.7 deaths per 100,000. Most similar countries have infant mortality rates between 15 and 25 deaths per 100,000.

75.6 years

Average life expectancy for men in the U.S. compared to 79 years for men in Switzerland, the top-ranked country.

80.8 years

Average life expectancy for women in the U.S., compared to 86 years for women in No. 1-ranked Japan.

GETTY IMAGES

If the United States is so rich, why is our health so poor?

Reuters

WASHINGTON Overeating, lack of access to health insurance and comparatively high poverty are among the many reasons why Americans are less healthy and die younger than people in other wealthy countries, a report requested by the U.S. government showed Wednesday.

The U.S. spends more per person on health care than any other nation but lags on many important health measures amid higher rates of obesity and heart disease and worse infant mortality rates than other rich countries.

The 404-page report by the National Research Council and Institute of Medicine, which provides advice to policymakers, compared the health of Americans to that of people in 16 other rich countries. They included Canada, Japan, Australia and 13 western European countries including Britain, France, Italy, Switzerland and Germany.

"Americans are dying and suffering at rates that we know are unnecessary, because people in other high-income countries are living longer lives and enjoying better health. What concerns our panel is why, for decades, we have been slipping behind," said Steven Woolf, a medical professor at Virginia Commonwealth University, who led the panel that produced the report.

Americans overall fared the worst among the countries in the report when it came to nine areas: infant mortality; injury and homicide rates; teen pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases; HIV infection and AIDS; drug abuse; obesity and diabetes; heart disease; lung disease; and disabilities.

"No single factor can fully explain the U.S. health disadvantage," the researchers said.

The report, sought by the U.S. National Institutes of Health, underscored what health experts have long known: Americans on average die younger than people in other rich countries do and are in poorer health for much of their lives.

Congress, now with fewer crotch pics

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Twenty years ago, reporters dubbed 1993 the Year of the Woman, after a glass-ceiling-cracking, record-shattering SIX women became U.S. senators. I was 7 and ecstatic with the news. I remember putting on my power scrunchie and marching into my first-grade classroom ready to dominate.

Suddenly those "I can do anything boys can do" picture books made sense. My future was not limited to being a teacher or a mommy. I was going to be the president of the United States, mainly because I thought it would be cool to have people drive me around in a limo with American flags on it. To my 7-year-old self, the year of the woman meant a lifetime of possibility.

In comparison, 2013 kicks 1993's butt in a way that makes me want to bust out the power scrunchie again! The 113th Congress includes 20 powerhouse female senators. That is 20 role models for little girls everywhere.

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In 1993, the Year of the Woman included one Republican and five Democrats, including former Illinois Sen. Carol Moseley Braun, who made history by becoming the first black female senator. This year, the 20 female senators include 16 Democrats, four Republicans, the first openly gay senator and the first Asian-American female senator.

This increase may even help the U.S. rise above its pathetic 90th-place ranking of women in politics, as calculated by the WCF Foundation. That is right: The U.S. is 90th behind Rwanda, Cuba, Nepal and Bolivia, to name just a few countries that proportionally have more women represented in legislature. But beyond the numbers, what's really great is that when we have more women in Congress, political discourse is more well-rounded and better legislation is produced.

I'm not saying women are better politicians than men. I'm saying that as a democracy, we make the best decisions when we are all included. Women also are naturally better at not taking and sending crotch pics to interns, so this new Congress should have fewer distractions.

Of course there are still more hurdles to jump and hills to climb, and you know that figurative glass ceiling is still intact. So far, the Senate has had only two women of color. To truly utilize all of America's talent, we have to include not just women but women of color. And although my blood bleeds blue, even I know the Republican Party needs to amp up its game and recruit more conservative women to add to the mix.

Obviously there still is work to be done. But when I remember my small world of 1993 compared to today, I can't help but be excited about how far we've come.

Unfortunately, I have way too many unflattering photos on Facebook to ever run for president, or even the local school board for that matter.

But I know there are thousands of little girls out there who haven't yet defiled their potential political careers with Shania Twain karaoke videos on YouTube. For example, Republican Sen. Kelly Ayotte's 8-year-old daughter recently asked her mom not to run for president because she wanted to be the first female president. Now that's the kind of chutzpah we need in the White House.

NIKI FRITZ IS A REDEYE SPECIAL CONTRIBUTOR.

4 TO TRY — TUMBLR THURSDAY

You know the drill by now—if you're not following these Tumblrs already, you should be. Have a suggestion for a Tumblr to feature? Send a tweet to @jessicagalliart.

Edith with Googly Eyes
edithwithgoogleyes.tumblr.com
If you're a "Downton Abbey" fan and you know what's good for you, you'll follow this Tumblr immediately.

Terrible Drawings of British Actors
terribledrawingsofbritishactors.tumblr.com
Decidedly one of the most bizarre Tumblrs we've ever featured here, this Terrible Drawings Tumblr is also one of my favorites. The creators are taking requests, by the way.

The Man on Five
themanonfive.com
This "historic Chicago" Tumblr's title is a nickname for the mayor of Chicago (his office is on the fifth floor of City Hall) and posts fascinating artifacts from days of yore, including photos, old maps, posters and more. Any vintage junkie can appreciate it.

We Never Look Up
weneverlookup.tumblr.com
How depressing. Here's a collection of photos of people staring at their phones or iPods on streets and sidewalks.

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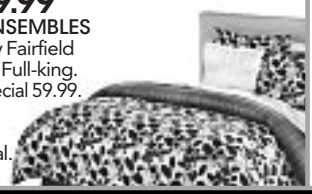

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CHICAGO DANGER ZONES

WHO? WHEN? WHERE? THE NUMBERS BEHIND THE CITY'S DEADLY YEAR

By Tracy Swartz | REDEYE

Chicago saw a 15 percent increase in the number of homicides from 2011 to 2012—and about a 20 percent rise in the number of victims in their 20s, according to a RedEye analysis of police data and information from the Cook County Medical Examiner's Office.

Chicago logged 513 homicides in 2012, up from 448 killings in 2011, according to RedEye data. A police spokeswoman told RedEye that 506 is the department's tally for 2012.

Unlike the police department, RedEye counts homicides by the date of incident, not the date of death. RedEye also includes in its count fatal shootings that police deem to be accidental or in self-defense.

The last time Chicago topped 500 homicides was in 2008.

Chicago Police Supt. Garry McCarthy has attributed the spike in killings last year to guns on the street and gang violence.

Gunshot homicides rose 17 percent from 2011 to 2012, RedEye determined. Gunshot killings comprised about 86 percent of Chicago homicides last year, according to RedEye data.

Much of the violence occurred on the South and West sides. And while some traditional homicide hotspots, including Englewood, West Englewood and Humboldt Park, saw a drop in the number of killings, other communities, such as New City and Chicago Lawn, didn't fare well last year. [See sidebar.]

Neither did 20-somethings. There were 40 more homicide victims in their 20s in 2012 than there were in 2011, RedEye determined. The police have tied more than 40 percent of 2012 homicides to street gang violence.

Still, Chicago showed relative signs of improvement at the end of the year, when homicides from October through December were down 17 percent over the same period in 2011. In the first three months of the year, they were up 61 percent.

The police posted their best month, 25 homicides, in December, which represented a 32 percent drop in killings compared to December 2011, according to RedEye data.

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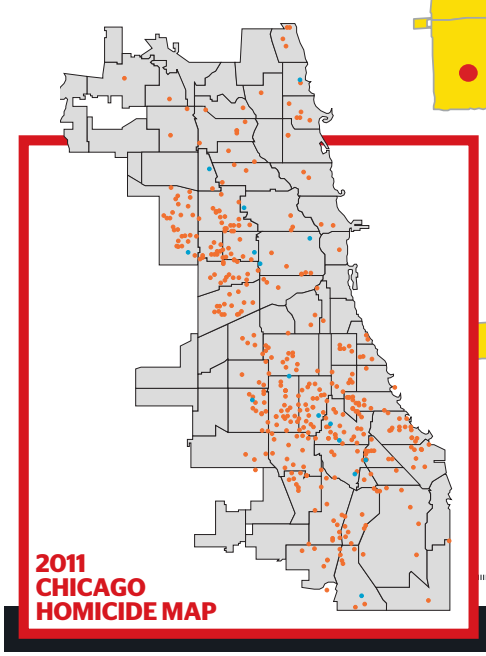
KEY TO THE MAP

The map shows the locations of the 513 homicides in Chicago in 2012.

- Locations with one victim
- Locations where more than one person died on the block

Map does not include fatal shootings by police.



2011 CHICAGO HOMICIDE MAP

MORE ONLINE

Check out RedEye's interactive homicide map at **redeyechicago.com/homicides**, which now includes information on every homicide in Chicago since Jan. 1, 2007.

BY THE NUMBERS

AGE

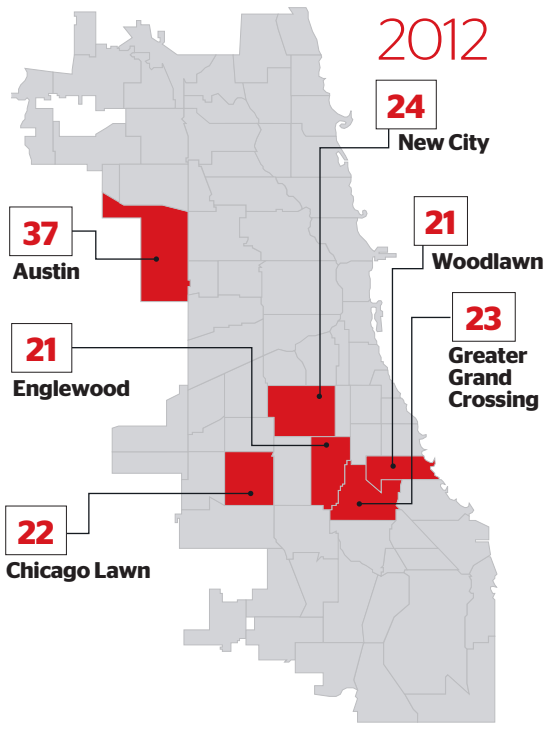
2012

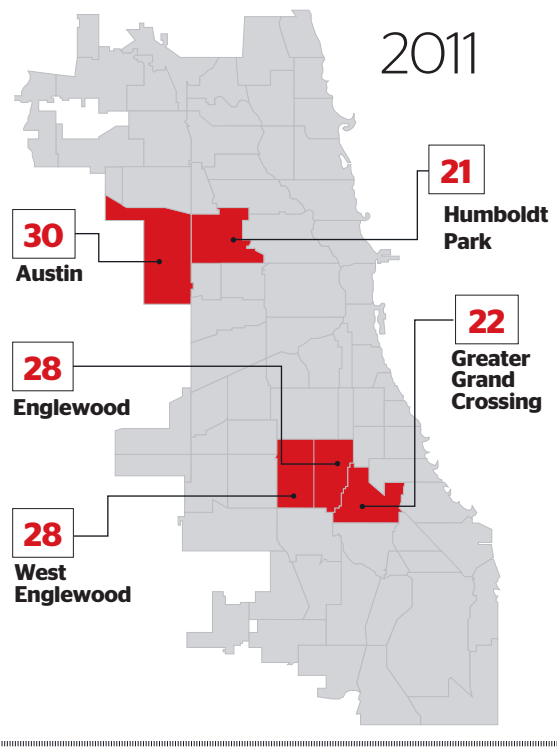
- » **12 or under:** 9
- » **13-19:** 101
- » **20 - 29:** 225
- » **30-39:** 97
- » **40+ :** 80
- » **Unknown:** 1

2011

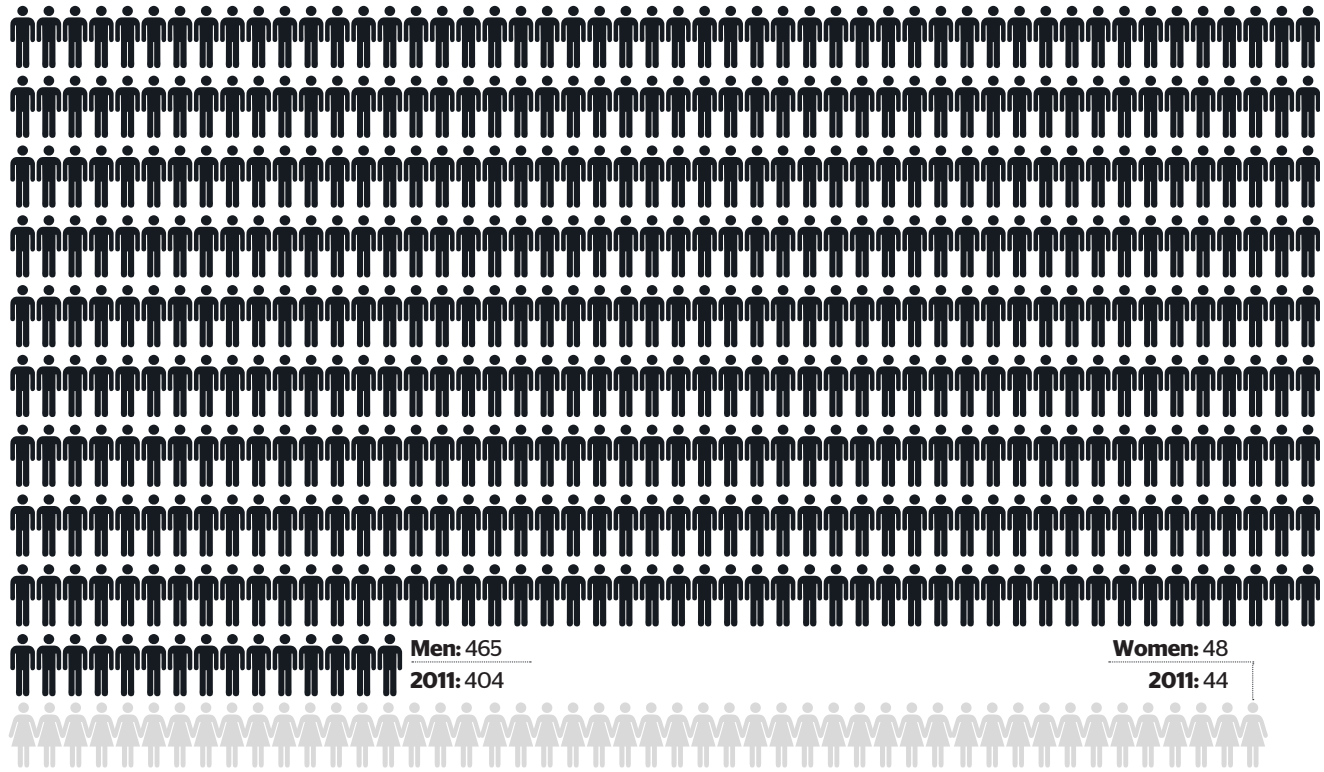
- » **12 or under:** 9
- » **13-19:** 90
- » **20 - 29:** 185
- » **30-39:** 91
- » **40+ :** 73

COMMUNITY AREAS WITH MOST HOMICIDES





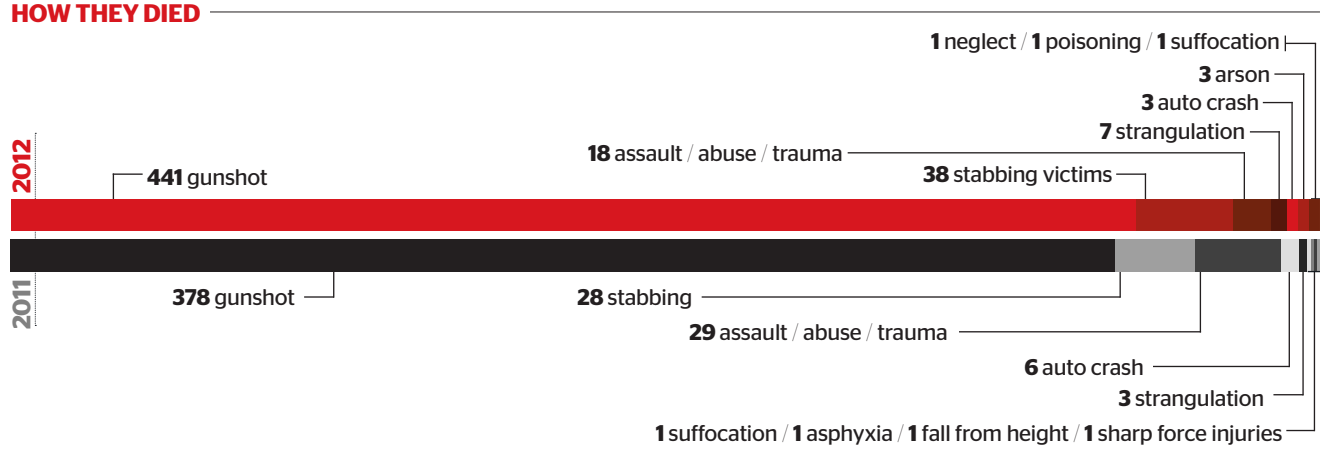
GENDER *(In 2012)*



RACE

* MEDICAL EXAMINER CATEGORIZES VICTIMS AS WHITE OR WHITE/HISPANIC

HOW THEY DIED



VICTIMS BY MONTH OF INCIDENT

	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUN.	JUL.	AUG.	SEP.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.
2012	40	29	52	41	51	47	49	57	44	41	37	25
2011	28	25	22	30	39	46	58	37	39	48	39	37

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HOMICIDE TRACKER

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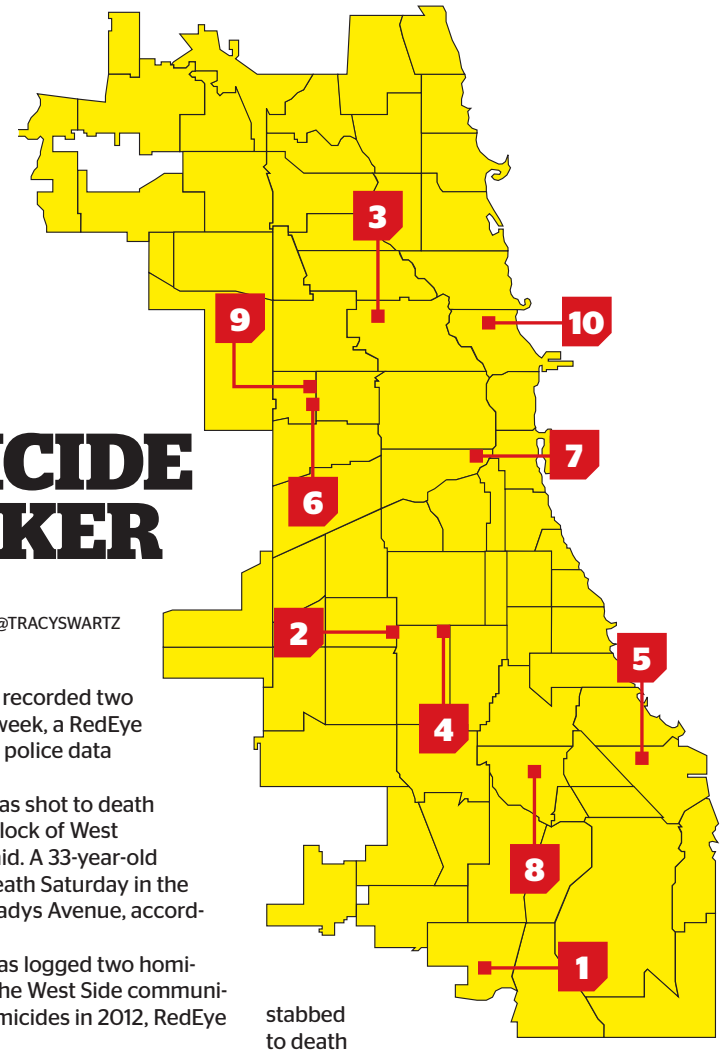

Homicides from Jan. 2 to 4 p.m. Wednesday. The Dan Ryan location is labeled on the map as 2100 S. Union Ave. since the map does not recognize interstates.

West Garfield Park has recorded two homicides in the past week, a RedEye analysis of preliminary police data found.

A 24-year-old man was shot to death Tuesday in the 4000 block of West Wilcox Street, police said. A 33-year-old man was stabbed to death Saturday in the 4000 block of West Gladys Avenue, according to officials.

West Garfield Park has logged two homicides so far this year. The West Side community area recorded 13 homicides in 2012, RedEye data shows.

Citywide, gunshot homicides were logged in the last week in Chatham, Gage Park, the Lower West Side, the Near North Side, West Englewood, West Pullman and West Town, RedEye determined.

Meanwhile, a 55-year-old woman was stabbed to death Saturday in the 8300 block of South Kingston Avenue in South Chicago, police said.

Fourteen homicides have been recorded so far this month. Forty homicides were logged in January 2012, according to RedEye data.

1 **12400 BLOCK OF S. UNION AVE.**
Date: Jan. 2 **Cause:** Gunshot

2 **5600 BLOCK OF S. WESTERN AVE.**
Date: Jan. 3 **Cause:** Gunshot

3 **1500 BLOCK OF N. TALMAN AVE.**
Date: Jan. 5 **Cause:** Gunshot

4 **5500 BLOCK OF S. LOOMIS BLVD.**
Date: Jan. 5 **Cause:** Gunshot

5 **8300 BLOCK OF S. KINGSTON AVE.**
Date: Jan. 5 **Cause:** Stabbing

6 **4000 BLOCK OF W. GLADYS AVE.**
Date: Jan. 5 **Cause:** Stabbing

7 **DAN RYAN EXPRESSWAY NEAR THE CANAL EXIT**
Date: Jan. 6 **Cause:** Gunshot

8 **8400 BLOCK OF S. KING DRIVE**
Date: Jan. 6 **Cause:** Gunshot

9 **4000 BLOCK OF W. WILCOX ST.**
Date: Jan. 8 **Cause:** Gunshot

10 **1300 BLOCK OF N. SEDGWICK ST.**
Date: Jan. 8 **Cause:** Gunshot

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FRIDAY 56 49 Weeeeird
SATURDAY 55 28 Hi, low!

Ashur Oshana (above) sold Urooj Khan a winning $1 million lottery ticket at a Chicago 7-Eleven store in June. Just weeks later, Khan died suddenly, and Chicago police now are conducting a homicide investigation after it recently was discovered that he had been poisoned. JOSÉ M. OSORIO/TRIBUNE

Lotto mystery deepens

Authorities push to exhume poisoned winner's body

Chicago Tribune

Cook County authorities continue to move toward exhuming the body of a Chicago man who died of cyanide poisoning weeks after winning a $1 million lottery jackpot.

Cook County prosecutors are drafting court papers and expect a judge to hear the matter Friday at the Daley Center courthouse, Sally Daly, a spokeswoman for State's Attorney Anita Alvarez, said Wednesday.

Chief Medical Examiner Stephen J. Cina sent a sworn statement to prosecutors Tuesday explaining why an autopsy was needed in order to ensure a complete investigation.

The exhumation could take place as soon as next week, according to sources familiar with the process.

Urooj Khan

The mystery surrounding Urooj Khan's death has sparked international media interest.

As first reported by the Tribune in a front-page story Monday, Khan died suddenly in July, just weeks after winning a million-dollar prize.

Finding no trauma to his body and no unusual substances in his blood, the medical examiner's office declared his death to be from natural causes and he was buried at Rosehill Cemetery without an autopsy.

About a week later, a relative told the medical examiner's office to take a closer look at the 46-year-old's death. By early December, comprehensive toxicology tests showed that Khan had died of a lethal amount of cyanide, prompting Chicago police and county prosecutors to investigate his homicide.

While a motive has not been determined yet, police haven't ruled out that Khan was killed because of his lottery win, a law enforcement source has told the Tribune.

Khan, the owner of three dry cleaners on the North Side, died before he could collect the lump-sum winnings—about $425,000 after taxes.

The Tribune reported Wednesday that authorities investigating the homicide executed a search warrant at the home he had shared with his wife, Shabana Ansari.

She later was interviewed by detectives for more than four hours, answering all their questions, according to her attorney, Steven Kozicki.

Group seeks CTA passes for homeless kids

By Tracy Swartz
REDEYE

The Chicago Coalition for the Homeless plans to ask the CTA board Friday to create a reduced-fare pass for local homeless youth.

Julie Dworkin, the coalition's director of policy, said she has been working for years to get the CTA board to approve a $34 30-day unlimited pass for homeless youth to use to go to school or find a job. The 30-day pass currently sells for $86; the price will increase to $100 next week.

Dworkin said she was optimistic that the proposal would win approval when Rich Rodriguez was president of the CTA. The issue was put on the back burner when Forrest Claypool took over as president in 2011.

The CTA told Going Public it provides reduced fare cards for homeless youth who regularly attend Chicago Public Schools and has no plans to create new fare cards.

CPS students at least 12 years old can pay 85 cents to ride the CTA. That price drops to 75 cents next week when fare changes take effect.

Dworkin said not all homeless youth can attend school regularly.

Dworkin is asking the board to consider approving 250 reduced fare passes a month. The board will meet Friday for its monthly meeting at CTA Headquarters, 567 W. Lake St.

EXPRESS LINES

» A man threatened to blow up a CTA bus and told police he was "jihad against the white devil" this week, causing evening rush hour passengers to flee in fear, authorities said.

» At least two recent incidences of young women robbing cab drivers with fares originating downtown seem to be connected, police warned Wednesday.

» In what police are calling an accident, a man died after his girlfriend ran over him outside a Lawndale medical clinic where the couple had just been told they were expecting a child. TRIBUNE

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The Boeing 787 Dreamliner GETTY IMAGES FILE

Boeing exec: Dreamliner is 'teething'

1 Chicago-based Boeing Co. has "extreme confidence" in the Boeing 787 Dreamliner, and the plane is "absolutely 100 percent safe to fly," Mike Sinnett, the chief project engineer for the 787, said during a news conference Wednesday.

The public statements came on the third day in a row that different Boeing 787s had high-profile problems, including an electrical battery fire Monday, a fuel leak Tuesday and a problem with brakes Wednesday.

"Clearly there are issues," Sinnett said, adding that he won't be happy until the 787 is 100 percent reliable. However, all new planes have such "teething pains," and the 787 problems are similar to incidents experienced when the Boeing 777 went into service, he said.

"This is par for the course for any new airplane program ... just like any new airplane program, we work through those issues and move on," he said. "There are no metrics that are screaming at me that we have a problem."

57 injured in crash

2 **NEW YORK** A high-speed commuter ferry carrying hundreds of passengers crashed into a pier near Wall Street during the morning rush hour Wednesday, injuring 57 people, one critically, authorities said.

Passengers who had boarded the 141-foot Seastreak Wall Street in Atlantic Highlands, N.J., and were lined up to disembark in New York were thrown to its deck by the impact of the hard landing at 8:43 a.m.

"People who were standing up flew because of the impact," said passenger Brett Cebulash, 50, an attorney who regularly rides the ferry, which caters to white-collar employees and costs $655 a month.

"It was a normal morning, we were rolling into the dock and then they hit something. There was a sudden impact," he said.

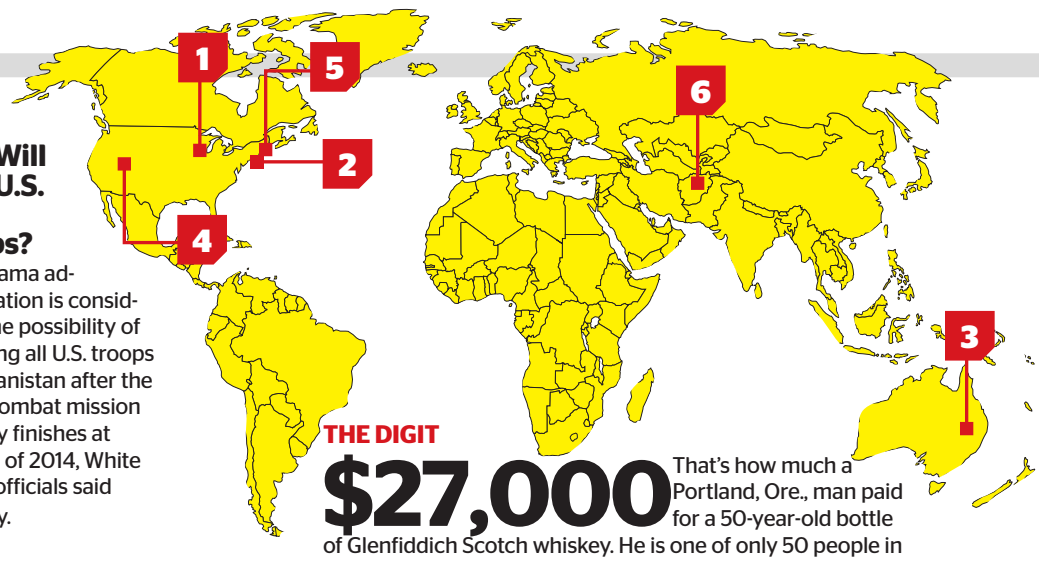
The ferry, on its morning run from the high-end community on the Jersey Shore that still is recovering from superstorm Sandy, suffered a gash in its right front side. Firefighters and rescue workers rushed to the scene, as did Mayor Michael Bloomberg.

The boat was traveling on calm waters at between 10 to 12 knots, or about 11.5 to 14 mph, when it crashed into the pier, New York City Department of Transportation Commissioner Janette Sadik-Khan said. That is roughly equivalent to the force of catching a 200-pound bag of cement dropped from a first-floor window, experts said.

The gruesome scene of passengers lying on stretchers at the pier recalled earlier landing crashes involving the Staten Island ferry, including one in October 2003, which killed 11 people and injured dozens more, and one in May 2010 that injured about 40 people.

An injured woman is rushed to a waiting ambulance following an early Wednesday ferry accident during rush hour in Lower Manhattan. GETTY IMAGES

WHAT HAPPENED?
The crew of the Seastreak passed Breathalyzer tests administered after Wednesday's accident, police officials said. The National Transportation Safety Board said an 11-member team was heading to New York to begin an investigation into the cause of the crash.



3 Australia battles massive fire
As many as 1,500 trained volunteer firefighters have sprung into action to help prevent a huge swath of New South Wales countryside from being swallowed by an inferno. Fires have eaten through more than 1,350 square miles of the state.

4 Massacre pretrial case concludes
Prosecutors wrapped up their pretrial case Wednesday against the man charged with last summer's Colorado movie theater massacre by showing photos he took of himself before the shooting, posed with guns and body armor.

5 Boston declares emergency
Faced with a surge in flu cases, the mayor of Boston declared a public health emergency Wednesday as authorities around the country scrambled to cope with a rising number of patients. Boston already has recorded 10 times as many cases as it did in the 2011-12 flu season.

6 Will U.S. pull troops?
The Obama administration is considering the possibility of removing all U.S. troops in Afghanistan after the NATO combat mission officially finishes at the end of 2014, White House officials said Tuesday.

THE DIGIT
$27,000 That's how much a Portland, Ore., man paid for a 50-year-old bottle of Glenfiddich Scotch whiskey. He is one of only 50 people in the world—and six in the U.S.—to own the special release.

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BIG TEN ALUMS TELL US WHY THEIR TEAM WILL RULE THE CONFERENCE

With the Big Ten men's basketball season under way, we're only a few months from learning who will reign as conference champs. Of course, we'd rather not wait that long. So we asked alums from all 12 schools to tell us why their team is the one to beat in 2012-13. REDEYE

ILLINOIS

I-L-L! The team hasn't played this well since the days of Dee Brown and Deron Williams, back when we ended up at the Final Four in 2005. Brandon Paul and Co. have made watching Illini basketball exciting again—as opposed to embarrassing. The Big Ten is tough this year, but this team will fight its way to the top.

—**Leonor Vivanco**
RedEye reporter, @lvivanco

INDIANA

I appreciate you trying to trick me into jinxing my team, but it won't work. However, IU will CONTEND for the Big Ten title. And they'll contend harder than anyone else. Why? Look no further than Cody Zeller and Christian Watford. No one else in the Big Ten can keep up.

—**Julie DiCaro**
RedEye special contributor, @juliedicaro

IOWA

Why will Iowa win the Big Ten? 'Cause it's the year of the Hawkeye. It began Labor Day weekend when we took down eventual Orange Bowl participant Northern Illinois, 18-17. Fine, so that wasn't the start of a dominating football season. But maybe it can be the catalyst for a Big Ten basketball championship.

—**Zoran Stanoev**, *Old Town*

MICHIGAN

A new practice facility, a completely renovated arena and a Top 5 recruiting class have Michigan ready to defend its Big Ten title. A blossoming all-American point guard, a freshman 3-point machine, two stud NBA legacies and a team that goes 11 deep has the Wolverines primed for Big Ten dominance and a national title run.

—**Kevin Wallace**
Old Town, @kwallace23

MICHIGAN ST.

Who's tougher than Tom Izzo? Spartans players have a motto. It's "Players play. Tough players win." Izzo has a great freshman in guard Gary Harris, and Branden Dawson has returned from injury. In short, it's toughness, speed, athleticism, strength and Izzo. And Izzo knows how to build. For March.

—**Chris Kelsch**
Lincoln Park

MINNESOTA

As a Gophers fan, it's hard to get excited about a successful nonconference schedule —we've been burned too many times. However, this season just feels different. Even without Trevor Mbakwe playing like we'd hoped, we've finally got a talented and deep team. Time for coach Tubby Smith to erase the memory of Clem Haskins...

—**Brian Dusek**
RedEye special contributor, @brianjdusek

THE STARTING LINE » Northwestern at Penn State, 7 p.m. ESPNU » Fire to open season March 3; home opener is March 9 » Blackhawks to begin season Jan. 19 at Los Angeles

NEBRASKA

Nobody realized we joined the Big Ten last year. In fact, most Nebraskans don't even know we have a college basketball team, so the element of surprise is definitely on our side. Also, our coach tweets more than Tom Izzo. That counts for something, right? #Nebrasketball

—**Matt Taege**, *Lakeview, @taege*

NORTHWESTERN

No Drew Crawford? Yeah, that one hurt, but Northwestern's hoops team has harnessed the school's collective brain power to develop an algorithm that totally guarantees us the title. Revenge of the nerds!

—**Kate Bernot**
RedEye nightlife reporter, @kbernot

OHIO STATE

The Buckeyes will win the Big Ten (12, 14) because we Mighty Buckeyes will dot the I's on the Hoosiers, Hawkeyes and Illini. The Huskers, Wildcats and Boilermakers — we're for real and they're all fakers. Nittany Lions, Badgers, Gophers? Worth less than pennies in our loafers. Sparty and Lil' Blue won't win, 'cause we never give a bleep about the whole state of Michigan.

—**Alyssa Ryan**, *Oak Park*

PENN STATE

The reason Penn State will win the Big Ten hoops title this year is because while the rest of Pennsylvania has been drilling for natural gas, the Nittany Lions have been drilling buckets! Why the frack wouldn't we win?

—**Alexis Puhala**, *Pilsen, @poohalla*

PURDUE

Karma. That's the only reason why my beloved Boilermakers will win this year's Big Ten title. Robbie Hummel tearing his ACLs in consecutive years robbed us of at least one potential national championship run. This team ain't that good, but it's going to get the breaks needed to win a Big Ten title. Because the universe owes us one.

—**Matt Lindner**
RedEye special contributor, @mattlindner

WISCONSIN

Wisconsin alumni know cheese rocks. Miller Lite's awesome and offense does not a basketball team make. Sure, UW doesn't score a lot of points, but we don't let other teams score many, either. Big Ten champions? Why not. The Badgers made the Rose Bowl this year. Crazier things have happened.

—**Margaret Bogenrief**
Uptown, @bfullycomplex

HOOP DREAMERS

Here are five players who are doing the Chicago area proud in the Big Ten this winter. (Stats are as of Monday) REDEYE

« Brandon Paul
School: Illinois
Year: senior
Position: guard

The Gurnee native was second in the Big Ten with 18.5 points per game to go with 5.1 rebounds.

Dave Sobolewski »
School: Northwestern
Year: sophomore
Position: guard

The Naperville native is fourth in the conference at 4.4 assists per contest.

« Lenzelle Smith Jr.
School: Ohio State
Year: junior
Position: guard

The sharpshooter from Zion is third in the Big Ten in 3-point percentage (44.3) to go with 11.4 points and 5.2 boards per game.

Tracy Abrams »
School: Illinois
Year: senior
Position: guard

This Chicago native averages 12.1 points and 1.7 steals per game; the latter has him tied for eighth in the conference.

« Sam Thompson
School: Ohio State
Year: sophomore
Position: forward

At 7.1 points and 3.9 rebounds per game, the Chicago native is a quiet but consistent contributor for the Buckeyes.

» Lingerie Football League changes name to Legends Football League » Bears' Devin Hester sells Gurnee home for $322,500

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10 Chicago comedian

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1 Derrick Rose is taking contact in practice. You nervous?	Nope, feeling fine. Thanks.	Yeah, man, he's going to hurt Kirk Hinrich. He's an old, fragile dude.	As long as Mike Shanahan isn't coaching the Bulls, his knee should be fine.	I'll be nervous once they start putting the entire team on his back again.	I'm not Derrick Rose, so ... nope, I'm good.
2 A six-day NHL training camp is like ...	... the players reliving childhood. Will there be bug juice?	... totally too long to wait. Lace 'em up already.	... barely long enough to watch a "Mighty Ducks" movie marathon.	... me crying for six days straight. HOCKEY!	... one day longer than a five-day training camp?
3 What was the best part of the NHL lockout?	All the media coverage I didn't read. I'm sure it was fascinating.	Not having to hear ridiculous "trade Patrick Kane" rumors.	It gave Patrick Kane time to recover from his offseason hangover.	Your mom.	What it did for Gary Bettman's already sterling reputation.
4 Why are Carmelo Anthony and Kevin Garnett not getting along?	"I hate Taylor Swift." "She's great!" "She stinks." "Friendship over."	Guess they just aren't in a Cheerio mood. Heyo!	Because Miss Alabama isn't interested in either one of them.	There is nothing in the world that can make me care less about this.	I don't know. Garnett's usually such an easygoing guy.
5 What will be the next Lance Armstrong-related bombshell to drop?	His real name is Gary Weaklegs. Can't really blame him for lying about that.	Hopefully a literal one right on his head.	He's been romantically linked to a Kardashian ... and it's Rob!	He thought Sheryl Crow's music sucked.	His races were actually won by Sheryl Crow.

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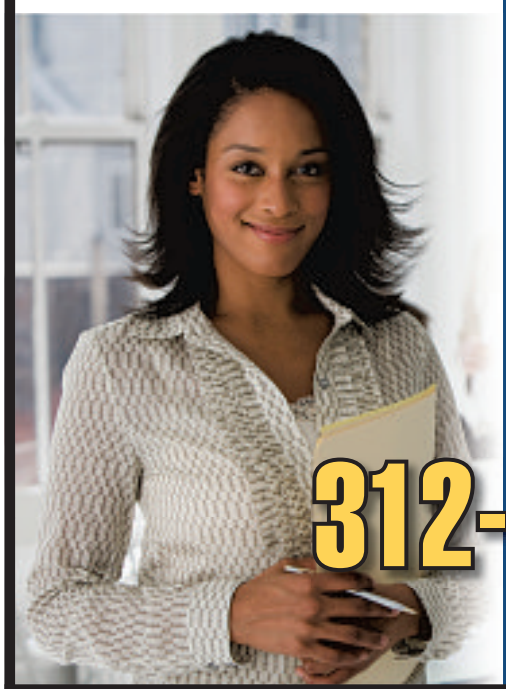

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Tweets ain't cheap

RedEye
That's one less car Mark Cuban can buy on a whim. The billionaire owner of the Dallas Mavericks was hit with a sizable fine by the NBA on Wednesday for criticizing the referees on Twitter. He's not the first to get in trouble for tweeting, and we suspect he won't be the last.

$500K: Micky Arison

The NBA was not pleased when the Miami Heat owner undermined the league's position in October 2011 during labor talks with players. Arison was responding to a fan who called the owners "greedy pigs."
Offending tweet: "You are barking at the wrong owner."

$50K: Mark Cuban

Add this to the approximately $2 million in fines the outspoken Dallas owner has accrued over the years. Must be nice to be loaded.
Offending tweet: "Im sorry NBA fans. Ive tried for 13 years to fix the officiating in this league and I have failed miserably. Any Suggestions ? I need help."

$30K: Helio Castroneves

The former Indy 500 winner got in hot water for insulting IndyCar race director Brian Barnhart in September 2011.
Offending tweet: "Making the famous @paultracy's words mine: Brian Barnhart is a circus clown!"

$25K: Chad Ochocinco

In August 2010, the NFL brought the hammer down on the receiver for tweeting during a preseason game. Rules are rules, but come on, it's the preseason!
Offending tweet: "Man Im sick of getting hit like that , its the damn preseason [bleep]! 1day I'm gone jump up and start throwing hay makers , #Tylenolplease"

$7,500: Brandon Jennings

Man, you can't even be happy on Twitter. The NBA slapped the Milwaukee guard with a fine for posting after a game in December 2009.
Offending tweet: "Back to 500. Yess!!! "500" means where doing good. Way to Play Hard Guys."

THE MOUTHWATCH

"If he would've ... made any derogatory statements ... I think that would've been a little bit different, but the fact that he said that we were beautiful and gorgeous, I don't see why any woman wouldn't be flattered by that."

—**Katherine Webb**, 2012's Miss Alabama, on NBC's "Today" show. She was referring to the comments made by ESPN's Brent Musburger during Monday's BCS National Championship game.

THE DIGIT

ZERO That's how many players will be inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame this year. Sammy Sosa, Roger Clemens and Barry Bonds were among those eligible for induction.

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BACK TO THE FUTURE

The Glunz Tavern in Old Town shakes off its long hibernation

The Glunz Tavern
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Give it some time

By Kate Bernot | REDEYE

The Glunz Tavern has been gathering 90-plus years worth of dust—that's not quite as long as the Cubs' World Series drought, but it's still pretty remarkable. The bar had been closed since Prohibition, but the Glunz family hung on to the Old Town real estate and continued to operate a distribution company and retail store in the adjacent space. This year, owner Christopher Donovan (Barbara Glunz's son) decided the time was right to dust off the cabinets and light fixtures and throw the tavern's doors back open for business.

While the bar was scheduled to return in the summer, the usual pre-opening hang-ups pushed that date back to mid-December. As temperatures dropped in early January and my post-holiday doldrums set in, the time couldn't have been better to hole up in a cozy neighborhood spot that promised plenty of beer, wine and European-leaning comfort food. With chilled toes and a hungry stomach, I swung open Glunz's solid wood door to assess the tavern's revival.

It's hard being popular

The scene at Glunz the Friday night I visited was what I expected: a bustling mix of couples meeting up after work, some guys having a drink before heading elsewhere and well-heeled, slightly older couples from the neighborhood grabbing dinner. It seemed, though, that the crowd was not what Glunz had prepared for. A harried staff struggled to keep up with drinks, and I had a hard time catching a server's eye, even though I had a seat at the bar. It's a good thing I had kept track of exactly what my date and I had ordered, too, because I needed to repeat it all—food included—to my server when it came time for the bill. To their credit, bartenders were polite and upbeat while issuing their apologies, and they didn't cut corners. It took a few extra moments, but they chilled a man's glass with ice cubes before straining his martini.

At least there's eye candy

While I waited for my Clover Club, a gin, lemon juice, Glunz raspberry liqueur and egg white cocktail—one option on Glunz's tight list of classic cocktails ($12-14)—I was glad for the opportunity to survey the tavern's vintage interior. Through the years, the family has kept many of Glunz's original details untouched, from the safe on the dining room wall to the tin ceilings (built in the 1870s following the Great Chicago Fire). They even bought their chairs from the historic Berghoff restaurant to maintain authenticity. Despite an abundance of dark wood and stained glass, the bar doesn't feel like a relic, thanks to huge front windows that open onto Wells Street and let in plenty of outside energy.

Sweetbreads and escargot

A tavern without taps?

My ears perked up when, prior to opening, Glunz's owners said they planned to offer cask-conditioned beers (a method of serving beer that means less carbonation and smoother pours) alongside draft offerings. Not only were there no casks to be found, but there were no draft beers yet at all, the bartenders told me apologetically. Owners say they do plan to install the tap system in the future, but haven't yet worked out a time frame. I was consoled by their haphazard but still solid selection of Belgian and domestic craft bottles, which weren't all listed on the menu, leaving me to test my eyesight as I squinted at the refrigerators behind the bar.

Snack French

While there are plenty of tables for diners looking to dig into a full meal, the bar is wide enough to easily accommodate the large plates of food. I saw more than a few burger-and-fry orders emerge from the kitchen, but I was drawn to the European-leaning dishes. Though the plates took a while to emerge from the kitchen, the plentiful sweetbread and escargots bourguignon ($12) were worth waiting for. Both the snails and the sweetbreads were tender and velvety, and I couldn't resist dipping my order of fries with black truffle

mayonnaise ($6) in the leftover sauce. The coq au riesling ($16), a white-wine spin on the classic coq au vin, had a similarly satisfying sauce, but the chicken itself left little impression. My date could barely wait for his order of spaetzle uberbacken ($8), a dish that promised a crowd-pleasing combo of doughy spaetzle noodles, oven-baked onion, gruyere cheese and ham. But when it arrived, the entire casserole languished under a pool of buttery grease so visible that neither of us cared to eat more than a few bites, and it left me wishing I had just doubled my escargot order.

Bottom line: Glunz felt like it was emerging from a 90-plus-year slumber, but it was the service, not the physical space, that was rusty. I'd like to stop back once the staff has had a chance to stretch its legs a bit—and once there are beers on tap with which to wash down all the nostalgia.

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It's a few months before St. Pat's, but that didn't stop some Lakeview residents from checking out McGuigans on Saturday night for a little Irish cheer. CRAIG SEYMOUR FOR REDEYE

Katharine Walsh
37, mom

What's up with the hat?
We did a hat exchange [earlier]. Everyone had to bring a hat, and we would steal hats from each other. This was my favorite. Never had a bat hat before.

What are you drinking and why?
I'm drinking Ketel One and soda, because it has low calories.

What's been the best thing that's happened to you in 2013, so far?
I'm still waiting for the best thing.

Jarret Jarvis
21, student

What brought you here tonight?
I'd heard about this bar. I live up the street from here, so I wanted to stop in to see how it is. I love the prices of the drinks. They're really reasonable for a college student. It's a good place to start the night.

As a Lakeview guy, describe the party characteristics of this neighborhood.
We're kinda in the middle. We're Cubs fans, but there's also a mix of Sox fans. We like to lay back and relax, but then we also like to go [downtown] when it's not cold out.

Joe Infusino
21, entrepreneur

What's the appeal of an Irish pub?
With an Irish pub, I think of green walls, people all happy, and different kinds of beers.

What are you drinking and why?
Tonight, I'm drinking Heineken and Guinness. Those are my two favorite beers, and they seem to be popular choices tonight at the bar.

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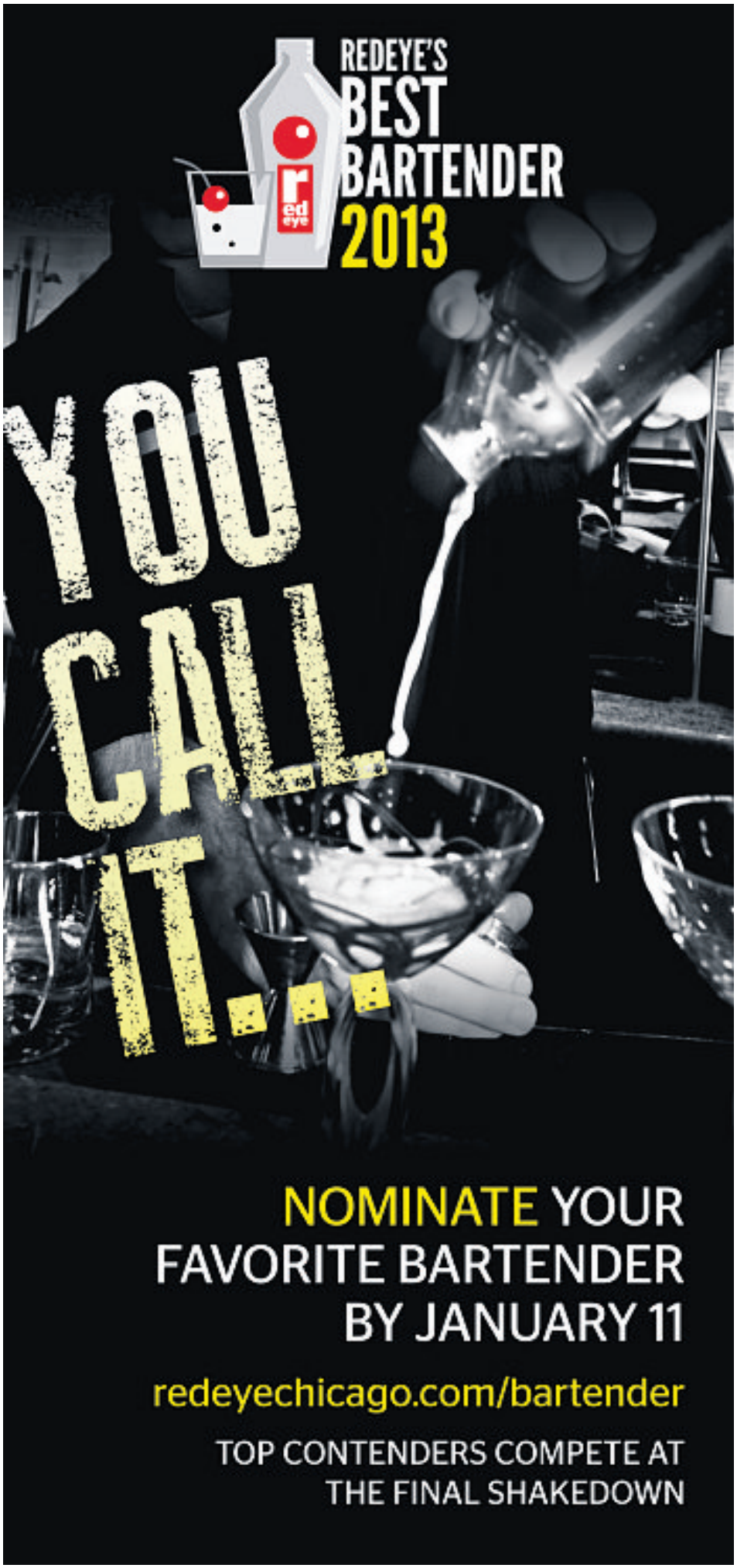

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EAT THIS

Unicorn *Jackalope Coffee & Tea House, 755 W. 32nd St., 312-888-3468*

Since opening in the fall, Jackalope Coffee & Tea House has become a South Side staple for gourmet drinks and locally sourced baked goods. Now, the quirky Bridgeport cafe also offers "mythical" sandwiches for the lunch-time crowd, with names that pay homage to creatures such as Bigfoot, the Jolly Green Giant and, of course, the Jackalope. Every day after 11 a.m., customers can build their own creations or choose a specialty sandwich such as the Centaur, the Imp and the kid-size Pixie. The Unicorn is the most enchanting of all: an Italian-inspired grilled cheese of melted mozzarella, juicy tomatoes and savory pesto on fresh Bridgeport Bakery bread. Paired with a cup of soup or a side salad, the Unicorn is an irresistibly magical indulgence with the power to charm vegetarians and carnivores.

JOHN J. KIM/ TRIBUNE

DRINK THIS

Vietnamese Coffee *Bon Bon Vietnamese Sandwiches, 233 W. North Ave., 773-278-5800*

I might be the only Seattleite who doesn't guzzle coffee on an hourly basis. I make an exception, though, for Vietnamese coffee. It's coffee for noncoffee drinkers, for those who find its bitterness overbearing. Vietnamese coffee is typically brewed with a French press filter and sweetened with condensed milk, giving the beverage a velvet-smooth finish. Throw a rock along Argyle Street in Uptown, and you'll hit a restaurant serving Vietnamese coffee. Further south, I found one at Bon Bon Vietnamese Sandwiches, the 3½-year-old sandwich and noodle shop in Wicker Park. Bon Bon uses the house blend from Trung Nguyen, Vietnam's most popular coffee brand—a subtly spiced, chocolaty coffee bean. TRIBUNE

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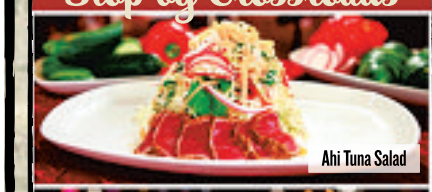

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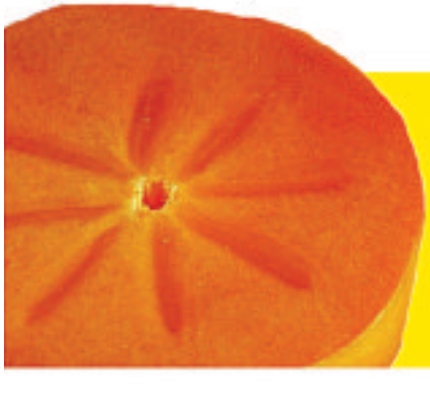
Persimmon makes a marvelous mojito

Tribune

It's persimmon season—though not for much longer. If you act quickly, you can still pick up the delicious fruit at your local market.

Typically available October through January, persimmons are prized for their sweet, mellow flavor. They also are rich in vitamins, minerals and antioxidants. Originally cultivated in China and Japan, the most common varieties available in the U.S. are Fuyu and Hachiya.

Similar to apricots or plums in flavor and texture, the Fuyu ripens with sweet undertones of cinnamon while the Hachiya can be quite astringent and bitter before ripening.The soft, ripe fruit is often pureed into puddings and breads, but a novel use for persimmon puree is in a cocktail. The subtle sweetness is the perfect complement to the lime juice and muddled mint leaves in a mojito. Cheers!



PERSIMMON POINTERS

- Choose a fruit that is heavy for its size.
- Look for glossy, firm, bright-colored skin.
- Handle with care, since they bruise easily.
- Store at room temperature.

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Persimmon Mojito

Yield: 2 8-oz. cocktails

- 3 tablespoons persimmon puree
- Ice cubes, crushed
- 6 ounces rum
- 6 to 8 fresh mint leaves, bruised with a mortar and pestle
- 4 tablespoons fresh-squeezed lime juice
- 2 tablespoons simple syrup
- Club soda
- Lime slices

1. Puree: Remove skin from 1-2 persimmons and puree in a blender or juicer.

2. Mix and shake: Place ice in a beverage shaker, add rum, bruised mint leaves, lime juice, and simple syrup. Shake well and strain over ice into two tall glasses. Add the persimmon puree and combine gently. Top off with club soda. Garnish with lime wedge and mint leaves.

Note: To remove the skin from the persimmon, remove green stem, cut two slits with a paring knife at the top of the fruit and drop in boiling water for about a minute. Remove from water and immediately remove the skin. Discard.

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Marlon Wayans
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'A Haunted House' star Marlon Wayans does standup at RedEye sitdown

By Matt Pais | REDEYE

Within the first three minutes of our conversation, Marlon Wayans mocks my shoes, imagines an ethnically diverse array of naked women surrounding him, describes the peaceful way to strangle a cow and his plan to delay sitting on the toilet in order to fully savor his breakfast.

I'd prefer not to spoil anything else about my fireside interview at the Waldorf Astoria hotel with the 40-year-old star and co-writer of the horror film parody "A Haunted House," which opens Friday. OK, fine: We also talked about ghost sex, the differences between black and white people, and what he would have had to do to make me believe him in "White Chicks."

Since a lot of what Wayans had to say wasn't fit for print, watch the video interview at **redeyechicago.com**.

SCARY FUNNY

Welcome back to Chicago.
Look at you with your little canoe shoes. [Picks up my foot.] Look at you, think you're cool. I want to get in those and do this. [Imitates paddling in a canoe.]

Where do you hope to hit here?
I just want a bearskin right here. Like a black chick naked, me naked, white girl naked, Spanish girl naked, Asian girl naked. And you leave. [Laughs.] ... But we'll keep the cameras rolling. Because you know fun stuff happens with nakedness. What'd you say, favorite restaurants out here? I love going to Mastro's. Mastro's is always great. Great steak. It's like I trust it. The Kobe beef steak, I think they massage the cow.

You can tell from eating it?
They play classical music. Maybe a little Enya. And when they strangle it, it's peaceful.

As long as Enya's playing ...
That's all. You can't just shoot a cow. [Makes sound of a shot and a cow moaning as it gets shot.] That makes the meat tough. But if you have a cow relaxed then you just kind of softly choke it up. [Makes noise of a cow mooing and being choked.] That's when it tastes best. Sunda's another good restaurant. I like that. Oh, Yolk is crazy. I just had a red velvet French toast. It changed my life. I believe in God.

Speaking of special moments, "A Haunted House" brings up a very important question: Does it count as cheating if you sleep with a ghost?
Absolutely yes. It's still another man. Or even if it's a female, the fact is I wasn't there to watch it, so that's disrespectful.

It seems like it was more of a problem that she wanted to do it again.
Actually it too depends: Did the ghost orgasm?

Marlon Wayans in 'A Haunted House'

Marlon Wayans as FBI agent Marcus in 'White Chicks'

What's something that scares you in real life?
Any time the cops pull up in back of me. I'm black, I'm rich, all my stuff is legal. But as soon as the cops get in back of me I feel like I'm poor and I just stole something and the car ain't mine and it's uninsured and they know there's a body in the trunk and what about the crack pipe under the seat? And I don't have any of this in my car, but the cops just pulling up behind me make me feel like that. Does that happen to you?

Um, no.
See, this is your country. It's not mine.

Has a cop come up to you and recognized you at any point?
Yeah, and still gave me a ticket. Some let me go. Like [impersonating cop], "Yo, I'm going to let you go, 'cause 'White Chicks' was hilarious." And then one guy was like, "Yo, are you Marlon Wayans? Yo, you was in 'Dance Flick'? You wrote that? Well, I'm giving you a ticket 'cause you owe me $14."

You've talked about "A Haunted House" being "Paranormal Activity" if it happened to a black couple instead of a white couple. Why do you see those reactions as being fundamentally different?
You can't see the reactions [being different]? OK: If you heard a ghost in your crib, what would you do?

I don't know. I don't know if I believe in ghosts.
But if you heard one. That's the first of all, the fact that you said ...

This is a loaded question now!
Well hold on, hold on.

Did I say the stereotypically white response ...
Well, you did already because you said, "I don't know if there is a ghost." Which is weird because black people, we believe in superstition, that there's a ghost. That's why sometimes when you shoot somebody we be crying afterwards, because you know he's going to haunt you. So that's why we know there's ghosts.

Why is that, that there's that difference in belief there?
Because you don't, you probably think, do you believe in God? Or you believe in science.

Now we're getting into heavy stuff.
You believe in science.

I'm a science guy.
Ahh! See. "There's an explosion that hit the Earth and boom and dinosaurs." No. God made this, man. If you don't believe in God you can't believe in ghosts. ... Here's the thing, because black people believe in spirits and things like that. You would go, "There's no ghosts; I have to go check down this corridor. Honey, you stay here, I'm going down that corridor and I'm going to go see [where that] noise came from." It's logical.

See, black people don't go [with logic]. If we hear a noise, "Bitch, I'm out the door. I'm gone. You can check if you want to."

As a huge fan of "Requiem for a Dream," your performance is so great ...
"So why would you do a movie like this? Why would you do something so great as 'Requiem' and so crazy as this?" That's what you're asking me.

Well, when looking at your career, it's obviously an anomaly on your resume.
Because why am I still even working. The fact that I'm still here 20 years later is an anomaly in itself. They should have banned—stopped me making movies. What the [bleep] is wrong with Hollywood? They're crazy! They're crazy. Darren Aronofsky put me in "Requiem." What the [bleep] are you smoking?

Why not do more of that? Are you interested?
Ehhhh, you know, drama's great. Comedy is harder. I've been blessed to work with great directors, like when I did "Requiem" was one of them. ... But I think, for me, I'm a guy that can do everything. Literally. I went to performing arts high school. I choose to do comedy because it's harder. Besides, there's not that many good roles out there for black guys. It's very rare. When they come along, there's probably other people that go, "Ehh, this guy would be better for this."

I have to ask you, for "White Chicks," you did eight or nine hours of makeup a day ...
Seven. I never want to be a white woman again. White girls, if you have to take seven hours to put on makeup, I feel so sorry for you. That's why y'all be doing it in the car, on the way to work, 'cause you're still doing it.

When you look at that movie and look at you guys, do you think you look like white women in that?
We look like aliens. We look like some white girls. We look like the white girls that white guys don't want to [bleep]. But the black guys is like, "Yo, that bitch is thick." [Laughs.] When I did "White Chicks" I was actually kind of [bleep]-able. Shawn, oh, hell no. Shawn looked crazy.

The first word coming to your mind about that is aliens, and in "Little Man" you were a little person pretending to be a baby ...
Can we look at my filmography for a second? I've played a white woman. I've played a midget. I've played a crackhead. I've played a gangster. I've played a Shakespearean educated teacher ... Who has a filmography like that? That's crazy! A white woman and a midget? Sorry, Sir Laurence Olivier never played a midget! Never played a white woman, man! Where's my Oscar?

For me as a viewer with those movies I couldn't help but say, "No one would believe that he was a baby in that movie, and those don't look like white women."
You should never ever go see a comedy ever. You should only see dramas. You gotta go see, yeah, just dramas. 'Cause you can't think like that in a movie! When you go see a movie you gotta suspend ...

Do you think all comedies ...
When you go see "Jurassic Park" ...

I love "Jurassic Park"!
Do you go, "Oh my God, [those aren't] real dinosaurs"?

Of course not, because they make it believable on screen.
You can't suspend the reality and go, "You know what, I can believe that as a baby"?

I could ...
"I can believe Marlon and Shawn are white women."

In that case it didn't seem believable to me.
[And it took] so much makeup. That's tough! I had to tuck back ... Here's the thing, if I had a vagina, you would have believed me.

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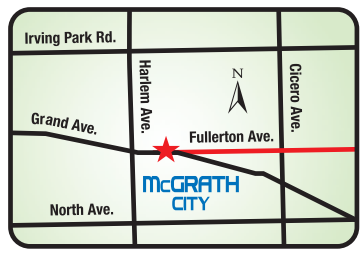

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Chastain is on a roll

By Miki Turner
FOR REDEYE

For the second consecutive year, Jessica Chastain could be nominated for an Oscar when the nominees are announced Thursday.

Last year, her touching performance as Southern sexpot Celia Foote in "The Help" earned her a best supporting actress nod. She's now a favorite to land a best actress nomination for her performance as a young CIA agent in Kathryn Bigelow's "Zero Dark Thirty."

The film, which is based on actual events leading up to the killing of Osama bin Laden, is considered a strong contender in several categories. Awards season, according to the Julliard-trained actress, is akin to dancing nonstop for three months. But Chastain, who is now appearing on Broadway in "The Heiress" and will be seen in the upcoming horror flick "Mama," is just happy to be in the mix.

"I'm a crazy person," she told reporters during a roundtable discussion recently in New York. "I think my first film came out 1½ years ago. I'm real lucky to do what I do, but I'll tell you right now, it's a very strange thing to be talking about this film and be talking about Maya and go, 'OK, at 6:30, I'm going to start putting my nose on and putting my hair in pin curls and go on stage.' It's a great gift."

Chastain
REUTERS

Chastain will have to miss a few Broadway performances once the awards ceremonies get under way—including this weekend's Golden Globe Awards, for which she also is a nominee. Chastain credits Bigelow and screenwriter Mark Boal for her performance.

"I'm playing a character who is trained to be unemotional and analytically precise," she said. "To find the humanity within that and that arc was a great feat that would have been impossible without Kathryn and Mark's leadership."

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Morrissey talks the Queen, The Smiths, birth of punk rock

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Quintessentially forlorn British singer-songwriter Morrissey reintroduced himself to American audiences Tuesday on "Late Show with David Letterman," performing "Action Is My Middle Name." The proudly mysterious, big-chinned, romantically challenged former frontman for The Smiths, who resumed his U.S. tour on Wednesday, answered some questions by email. Characteristically acerbic, he trashed his home country's royal family and suggested U.S. TV was so dumb in the 1990s that it "was a way of keeping people in a state of dependency."

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What qualities do you look for in a lead guitarist? Why has it been so consistently important for you to have a strong collaborative voice in that slot?

... because of [late New York Dolls guitarist] Johnny Thunders and [late David Bowie collaborator] Mick Ronson and the lordly arrogance of tough guitarists ... the arrogant pride of the second-in-command ... just waiting to elbow the poor singer sideways ...

You recently told an interviewer about going to concerts at age 12. You said, "I would stand there, the small imp that I was, and I would expect the world to be laid before me by these artists, and in some cases it was." How much pressure do you feel as a performer to create this kind of experience onstage?

I haven't ever found it to be especially difficult. I find myself to be naturally odd enough to gain people's curiosity, and I find the stage more natural than walking down a street. I love to sing, but the question of whether it has any purpose is for others to say.

You've been critical, not surprisingly, of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. How important was the Queen's Silver Jubilee in 1977 to the birth of punk rock, and how possible is it that the Diamond Jubilee might have a similar countercultural effect?

The British media were caught unawares by punk, but that type of ambush couldn't happen again because we now live in very censorian and controlled times. Music radio is very narrow, and music magazines are far too concerned with sales to cover any artist who is not global.

Why did it take so long for The Smiths to be available on iTunes?

I have no connection with The Smiths catalog, apparently no legal rights, and no involvement. I know nothing about reissues or remastered versions and I am not consulted. My calls to the record label go unanswered, and they politely tell my lawyer to get stuffed. The situation holds no promise.

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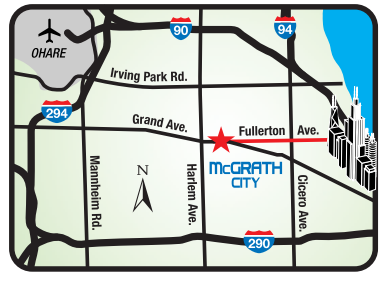

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Emma Stone blazes trail in red

Los Angeles Times

Emma Stone has been very busy the past couple of years, appearing in the blockbuster "The Amazing Spider-Man," "The Help" and "Crazy Stupid Love" while becoming one of the young starlets worth watching on the red carpet.

The frequent redhead, who actually happens to be a natural blonde, proved that red really is her color at the L.A. premiere for her new film "Gangster Squad," which comes out Friday. She chose a red, strapless Lanvin dress with jewel accents, a bold necklace and matching red Christian Louboutin heels.

To get Stone's fiery look, try these fashions:

» BCBG Max Azria lipstick-red cotton and lace strapless sweetheart "Roselle" bustier dress, $125.29 at **bluefly.com**

» Charlotte Russe "Fit for a Queen" statement necklace, $12.99 at **charlotterusse.com**

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Best mobile games of 2012

Let's give yet another thumbs-up to smartphone and tablet games in 2012. The graphics, accessibility and production value of the best mobile games increasingly rival their console and PC counterparts. They also can be had for a fraction of the price. Of the thousands of games to debut last year, here are five of the best. **APPOLICIOUS.COM**

Rayman Jungle Run

$2.99 for iPhone, iPod Touch, iPad, Android

The sequel to our favorite platform game of 2011 somehow exceeds its predecessor. Don't let the simple 2-D graphics throw you. "Rayman Jungle Run" is fast, frantic, creative and a blast to play—far superior to any of the side-scrolling Mario games out there. The art is breathtakingly vibrant, the world is unique and full of oddities, and the gameplay is fluid, creative and accessible. The eccentric soundtrack fits perfectly and helps accentuate the strangeness of Rayman's world.

Draw Something

99 cents for iPhone, iPod Touch, iPad, Android

"Draw Something" was downloaded millions of times in its first few weeks of availability because the creators of the "Pictionary"-like game knew how to keep things simple—and social. The collaborative game works well when played between Facebook friends or complete strangers. It's accessible enough that young children and tech-illiterate adults can pick it up in a flash.

Angry Birds Star Wars

99 cents for iPhone, iPod Touch, iPad, Android

"Star Wars" merchandising—both before and after the Disney acquisition—has never felt this good. The newest edition to the "Angry Birds" family is just plain awesome. Old birds get dressed up as Luke, Han, Obi-Wan, Chewie and the rest of the gang. The birds get all new powers to boot, including blasters and light sabers. The game is a brilliant mix of the old-school Angry Birds mechanics and the gravity mechanics of "Angry Birds Space" (also a worthy edition to any "best of 2012" list). Add all of the Star Wars references and visuals (from the original trilogy only) and you have a game that is out of this world.

ARC Squadron

99 cents for iPhone, iPod Touch, iPad

"ARC Squadron" is a rail shooter game that combines the retro experience of playing an old Nintendo 64 console with state-of-the-art graphics geared specifically to touch-screen devices. Powered by Unreal Engine 3, the same development tool kit used to create the all-time classic "Infinity Blade," "ARC Squadron" has players try their hands (and fingers) at intergalactic warfare. Each area of the galaxy involves a handful of levels with bonus challenges along the way, culminating in an epic boss fight. The game is very arcade in nature, and scores translate into currency that players can use to upgrade and purchase new ships, weapons and skins. Somehow this app manages to ape the gameplay of classic console titles like "Star Fox 64" while still feeling fresh.

Beat Sneak Bandit

$2.99 for iPhone, iPod Touch, iPad

"Beat Sneak Bandit" elegantly combines rhythm games (in which players tap along to the beat of music) with puzzle gameplay and stealth action. You'll need to tap to the beat to make the "Beat Sneak Bandit" character take his sneaky steps, and also time your way through the game's obstacles and traps. It's a really clever take on touch-screen games and has a great art style and musical selection. It's easy to play, but challenging to master.

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Backstage at the Grammys could turn into a real slugfest

By Dana Moran | REDEYE

Tensions are running high. Bets have been placed. And somebody's Spanx are way too tight. No, it's not an episode of "RuPaul's Drag Race"—it's backstage at the Grammys. The first round of performers was announced Wednesday for the Feb. 10 ceremony, and while these five acts don't have any beefs that we KNOW of, it's fun to imagine what might go down, right? Right.

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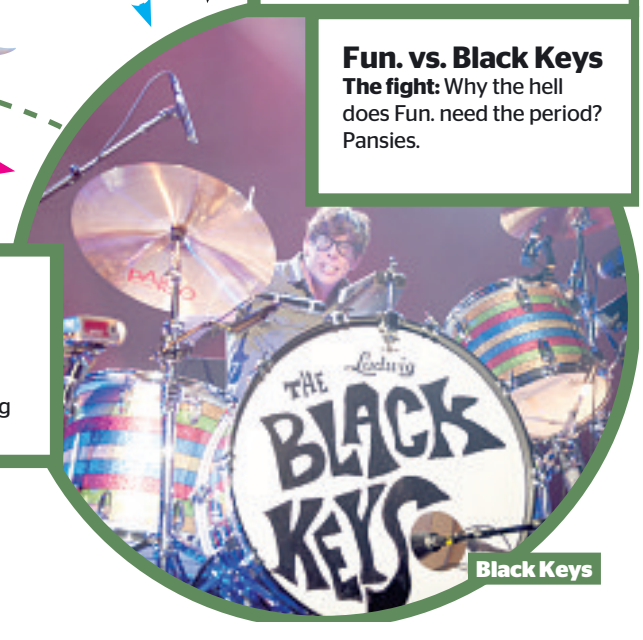

Black Keys

Fun. vs. Mumford
The fight: Mumford picking on Fun. for not being able to grow proper scruff

Rihanna vs. Mumford
The fight: She spiked their herbal tea

Taylor Swift vs. Mumford and Sons
The fight: Well, really, it's the Mumfords fighting over Taylor. Good luck, guys.

Rihanna vs. Fun.
The fight: Whether she should've sung on "We Are Young" instead of Janelle Monae

Taylor Swift vs. Fun.
The fight: Taylor tells lead singer Nate Ruess his last band, The Format, was way better

Taylor Swift vs. Black Keys
The fight: Whether it would be copyright infringement if Taylor wrote a song called "Lonely Girl"

Taylor Swift vs. Rihanna
The fight: Rihanna won't tell Taylor who does her hair

Fun. vs. Black Keys
The fight: Why the hell does Fun. need the period? Pansies.

Rihanna vs. Black Keys
The fight: The Keys decided to bring up the whole Chris Brown thing

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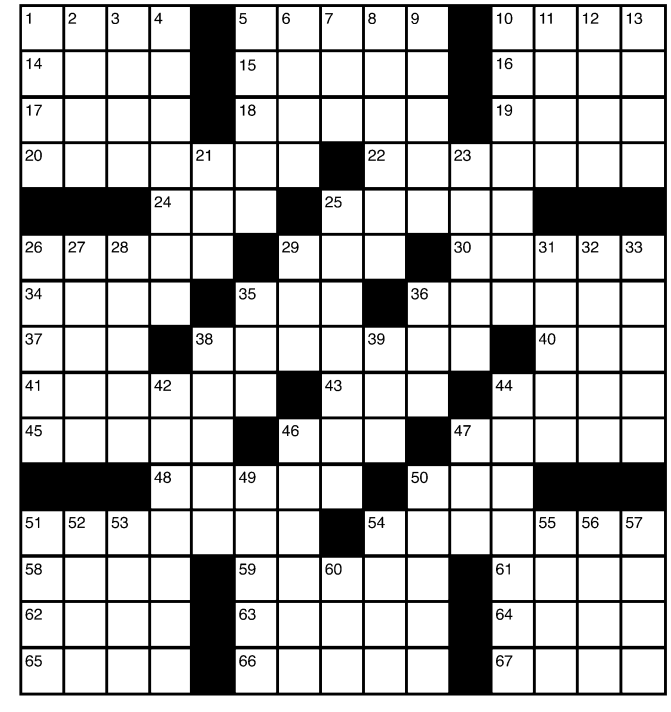
TODAY IN THE YEAR ...

1920: The League of Nations was established as the Treaty of Versailles went into effect.
2003: Illinois Gov. George Ryan pardoned four inmates on Death Row, saying the justice system had failed in condemning innocent men. (Ryan had placed a moratorium on executions in the state in January 2000.)
2006: Apple Computer CEO Steve Jobs unveiled an iMac computer based on Intel chips.



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38 Model of perfection
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47 Locations
48 Facial centers
50 Ear of corn
51 Dart throwers' focuses
54 Cure-all
58 Egg-shaped
59 Sea duck with soft down
61 Scorch
62 Bird of peace
63 King's decree
64 Injure
65 Was obligated
66 Quick looks
67 In a lazy way

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3 Home of twigs
4 Takes a nap
5 Game similar to keno
6 Rams' mates
7 Mont Blanc or the Matterhorn
8 Had to have
9 Iron alloy
10 Well-to-do
11 Grows old
12 Bench board
13 Belonging to that woman
21 Reel's pal
23 _ aback; surprised
25 Refunds to the buyer
26 Good buys
27 Of birds
28 Rudely brief
29 Saloon
31 Famed English racecourse
32 Discontinue
33 Rabbit cousins
35 Boy
36 Steal from
38 Tea variety
39 Abdomen
42 Ensnarled
44 Small barbecue
46 Next to
47 Close relation
49 Very high, as prices
50 Pony-drawn vehicles
51 Hullabaloo
52 Declare openly
53 Wild nighttime party
54 Actor Gregory
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56 Pianist Hines
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Dust off your magician's hat, tap shoes and stupid pet tricks. "America's Got Talent" will hit McCormick Place for an open talent casting call later this month. Visit **americasgottalentauditions.com** for all the details.

ARRESTED FAMILY REUNION

Characters from 'Arrested Development'
REDEYE ILLUSTRATION

We don't have a premiere *date* for the return of "Arrested Development," but Netflix on Wednesday gave us a premiere *month*. The show will hit Netflix streaming in May, the streaming service announced. "We're really guarding the material to surprise the audience," the show's creator, Mitch Hurwitz, told **thr.com**.

Queen for Prez

Exhibit Z that we are all just living in **Beyonce's** world: A couple of weeks before she performs the Super Bowl halftime show, Queen B will sing the national anthem at President Obama's inauguration, **usatoday.com** reports. James Taylor and Kelly Clarkson also have been chosen to perform at the Jan. 21 ceremony.

Future anchorman?

Mark Wahlberg has your traffic report, Philadelphia: There are delays on the 676. "You're going to have some serious problems," he said Wednesday during a drive-time appearance on "Good Day Philadelphia," according to **people.com**. "Why don't you stop and get yourself a hoagie?" Wahlberg also delivered the weather forecast. What a guy!

The people have spoken

Eat your heart out, ex-boyfriends. Taylor Swift was smokin' in a form-fitting, V-neck gown at Wednesday's People's Choice Awards in L.A. Oh, and she also took home some hardware. Swift was among the early award winners, grabbing the trophy for favorite country artist, **cbsnews.com** reports. Other early winners: Jennifer Aniston for fave movie actress and Maroon 5 for fave band.

THE DIGIT

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That's the leading number of nominations **"The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn—Part 2"** received for the Razzies on Wednesday. The Golden Raspberry Awards, which celebrate "the worst accomplishments in film," will be handed out Feb. 23.

"Any time an actress cries in a speech, drink."

—**Tina Fey**, to **thr.com**, giving one of the rules for her Golden Globes drinking game. Fey and Amy Poehler will co-host the show Sunday.

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